

**City of Bloomington Traffic Commission Minutes
February 25, 2015 in the Council Chambers, City Hall**

Traffic Commission minutes are transcribed in a summarized outline manner. Audio recordings of the meeting are available in the Planning and Transportation Department for reference.

Attendance

Traffic Commission: James Batcho, Ryan Cobine, Judi Maki, Sarah Ryterband, and Scott Wickersham.

Others in Attendance: Darrin Eaton, Eddie Deckard, Nate Nickel (Staff), and Scott Robinson (Staff).

- I. Call to Order** (~5:40 PM)
- II. Approval of Minutes** – January 28, 2015 (Mr. Cobine motioned, and Mr. Wickersham seconded, to approve the amended minutes. The motion passed 5-0.).
- III. Communications from Commission** - none
- IV. Reports from Staff**
 - A. Transportation and Traffic Engineer – position update
 - B. March Meeting – might be canceled
- V. Traffic Inquiries**
 - A. E. 6th Street and N. Washington Street – convert to 4-way stop:** Staff presented the request, as the two requests received about this intersection were anonymous. The consensus of the Commission was to not move forward with the request because they felt the current conditions at this intersection are satisfactory. The Commission did ask staff for more information on accident history and/or past traffic counts.
 - B. 3rd Street and S. Union Street/S. Rose Avenue – left turn restrictions:** Mr. Eaton explained he travels this area frequently and was looking for a reasonable solution to unnecessary congestion due to left turning movements on this section of E. 3rd Street. He would like for the City to consider signs and perhaps time restrictions during peak hours. The Commission agreed this area has congestion, but there are good solutions, as well as good alternative routes available to avoid congestion. The Commission directed staff to explore some temporary measures with signage and/or minimal barriers as an experiment and to report on any changes.

- C. Hunter Avenue and S. Fess Avenue – convert to 4-way stop:** There was no public comment regarding this request. The consensus of the Commission was to not move forward with the request; the Commission felt the current conditions at this intersection are satisfactory.

VI. Old Business - none

VII. New Business –

- A. Crosswalk Markings:** The Commission expressed some concerns over vehicle speeds, wanted clarification on the brick crosswalk style along Kirkwood Avenue (how do these indicate yielding to pedestrians), and generally felt more crosswalk markings could improve the vehicle yielding-to-pedestrian culture (like we are seeing along the B-line Trail).
- B. E. 3rd Street and S. Indiana Avenue – right turn on red restriction:** Ms. Maki motioned, and Mr. Batcho seconded, to approve the recommendation as presented. There were no public comments. The motion passed 5-0.

- VIII. Public Comment –** Mr. Deckard was thankful for the parking restriction on Monon Drive, but wanted clarification on the exact location. Staff explained it would be located along the south-side of Monon Drive, starting at the stop bar with S. Walnut Street and extending to the driveway associated with the building located on the southwest corner of Walnut Street and Monon Drive.

IX. Adjournment (~6:45 PM)

Next meeting – March 25, 2015